

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2008-77-C - ORDER NO. 2008-481

JUNE 26, 2008

IN RE: Joint Petition of Rock Hill Telephone) ORDER APPROVING
Company d/b/a Comporium) MAP REFLECTING
Communications and Chester Telephone) CLARIFICATION OF
Company d/b/a TruVista Communications) BOUNDARY LINE AND
for Approval of Map Reflecting Clarification) APPROVING
of Boundary Line and for Approval to) GRANDFATHERING
Grandfather Certain Customers) CERTAIN CUSTOMERS

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the Joint Petition of Rock Hill Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications (“Comporium”) and Chester Telephone Company d/b/a TruVista Communications (“TruVista”) (collectively, “Petitioners”) for Approval of Map Reflecting Clarification of Boundary Line and for Approval to Grandfather Certain Customers, filed on February 28, 2008. The Petitioners seek an Order from this Commission clarifying the boundary lines between their respective service territories, as recent developments not previously served by either company have been constructed. The documentation heretofore on file with the Commission is unclear as to the exact location of the service boundary, and the companies have represented that it is in the best interest of the companies and in the public interest to ensure that the service boundary be more clearly defined to avoid confusion and possible future disputes. To that end, the companies have jointly submitted a map more clearly reflecting the agreed-upon service boundary. The map has been signed by authorized representatives of both companies on

August 27, 2007, and copies have been provided to the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-612.2.3.

The companies have expressed their intent that no existing customers of either company be affected by the clarified boundary unless the customers so choose. Accordingly, to the extent that any customers of either company fall within the service area of the other company as defined on the new map, such customers shall remain the customers of the company from whom they received service on the effective date of Commission approval and adoption of the map, unless and until they cease to receive landline basic local exchange service in their names and at their present service locations. Thereafter, the "carrier of last resort" obligation defined at S.C. Code Ann. 58-9-10(10) shall be borne by the carrier in whose service area the affected physical premises are located. The companies have identified ten customers of Comporium whose physical premises are located within the agreed service area of TruVista, and one customer of TruVista whose premises are located within the agreed service area of Comporium, all of whose telephone service will be "grandfathered" in this manner. In addition, the companies have identified two other customers who are currently served by TruVista but whose premises are located within the Comporium service area as defined on the map. Because of the extraordinary expense which would be required to serve these two TruVista customers from Comporium's facilities, these customers are to remain customers of TruVista. If it becomes feasible in the future for Comporium to provide service to these two customers, they will be afforded the option to choose Comporium as their service provider at that time. All of the affected customers are identified by name,

address, and telephone number in an attachment to the petition. In its letter filed on March 19, 2008, the ORS has indicated that it does not oppose the approval and adoption of the map, and further, that it does not oppose the proposed grandfathering arrangements.

We find that clarification of the boundary line between these two service territories is in the public interest, and therefore approve and adopt the map jointly submitted by the parties. We also approve the proposed grandfathering arrangement agreed to by the companies.

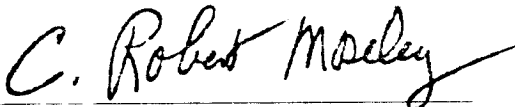
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:



C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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